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Calling for a continued United States policy of opposition to the resumption of commercial whaling, and otherwise expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to conserving and protecting the world's whale, dolphin, and porpoise populations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 3, 1993

Mr. STUDDS (for himself and Mr. SAXTON) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Merchant Marine and Fisheries

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Calling for a continued United States policy of opposition to the resumption of commercial whaling, and otherwise expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to conserving and protecting the world's whale, dolphin, and porpoise populations.

Whereas there is significant widespread support in the international community for the view that for scientific, ecological, and educational reasons, whales should no longer be hunted for profit;

Whereas many of the more than sixty species of whales and dolphins are currently subject to direct commercial harvest, and there is concern that efforts will be made at the 1993 annual meeting of the International Whaling Com-

mission to overturn the Commission's existing moratorium on commercial whaling of large whales; and

Whereas there are unique regions of the world's seas which serve as important feeding grounds for many species of whales, and where the impacts of environmental threats are unknown: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that—

3 (1) the United States should remain opposed to
4 any resumption of commercial whaling, and should
5 work toward a moratorium on the direct commercial
6 harvest of dolphins and porpoises;

7 (2) the United States should support the estab-
8 lishment of appropriate international sanctuaries
9 where whaling is prohibited; and

10 (3) in promoting the conservation and protec-
11 tion of the world's whale populations, the United
12 States should make the fullest use of diplomatic
13 channels, appropriate domestic and international
14 law, and all other available means.

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